

Agency 68 - Mexican - American Commission

Statutory Authority:

The Mexican-American Commission was created by LB 1081 of the second session of the Eighty-second Legislature in March of 1972. Its mandate and functions are described in Chapter 81, Sections 8.262 to 8.271 of the Revised Statutes of Nebraska.

Vision Statement:

Our vision is that all Mexican-Americans/Latinos have the opportunity to utilize their fullest potential to participate in the good life of Nebraska.

Mission Statement:

The mission of the Nebraska Mexican-American Commission is to serve as a voice in the Nebraska State Government for Mexican-Americans/Latinos.

Our principles include the respect for all citizens of the state of Nebraska, regardless of their race or national origin, the rights of all citizens to pursue their highest goals in life, limited only by their abilities; and the role of government in advocating for the protection of individual rights; the development of information and the education of all of the citizenry.

Goals:

Goals for the 2001-2003 Biennium:

1. To serve as an effective advocate for the Mexican-American/Latino population of Nebraska.
2. To serve as a comprehensive source of information regarding the issues and contributions of Nebraska's Mexican-American/Latino population.
3. To strengthen the Mexican-American Commission in its role as collaborator with state government (Governor, Legislature, state agencies), municipalities and local, state and national private organizations.
4. To reorganize the internal commissioner and staff structure of the Mexican-American Commission.

Financial Data:

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General Fund	117,079	172,236	218,942	175,802	290,566	180,802
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Performance Measures:

1A. Increase newsletter circulation; establish distribution centers; create PSA's; create and maintain web page, hire Public Information Officer.

1B. Collect, document, analyze and share information of data collected with collaborative partners.

1C. Establish Latino leadership programs in communities.

1D. Increase knowledge and participation in the political process by Latino leadership.

2A. Hire Research Analyst; develop data collection structure; produce annual report for distribution.

3A. Establish community key-working groups.

3B. Restructure role of volunteer commissioners and orientation process.

3C. Create structure for review and dissemination of Legislative information to communities.

3D. Facilitate communications and working linkages between Governor and Legislature and community.

4A. Enlist the assistance of the Legislature and Governor to reorganize the internal structure of Mexican-American Commission